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Sec. 3. That the Governor of the State of Texas issue the necessary proclamation for said election and have the same published as required

by the Constitution and Laws of this State.

Passed the House, May 24, 1949: Yeas 105, Nays 18; House refused to concur in Senate amendments, June 13, 1949, and requested appointment of Conference Committee to consider differences between the two Houses; House adopted Conference Committee Report, June 15, 1949: Yeas 119, Nays 11; passed the Senate, with amendments, June 9, 1949: Yeas 29, Nays 0; at request of House, Senate appointed Conference Committee to consider differences between two Houses; Senate adopted Conference Committee Report, June 15, 1949: Yeas 29, Nays 0.

Approved June 19, 1949.

Amendment by H.J.R. No. 46 provides for submission at an election to be held on the second Tuesday in November, 1949. See page 1500.

# HOSPITAL DISTRICTS—PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

### H. J. R. No. 36

Proposing an Amendment to Article III of the Constitution of the State of Texas authorizing the Legislature of the State of Texas to provide for the establishment and creation of hospital districts; providing for the Governor's proclamation and submission to the electorate.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That Article III of the Constitution of the State of Texas be and the same is hereby amended by adding to said Article a new Section to be designated as Section 60, reading as follows:

"Section 60. The Legislature shall have the authority to provide by law for the establishment and creation of hospital districts in the counties of this State under such conditions as the Legislature may fix by law, and to provide for the support of said districts by a tax on the ad valorem properties situated in said counties; providing, however, that before any such district shall be created it shall be approved by a vote of the people in said district."

Sec. 2. The foregoing Constitutional Amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electorate of the State at an election to be held on the fourth Saturday in September, 1949, at which election all ballots shall have printed thereon (or in counties using voting machines the said machines shall provide for) the following:

"FOR The Amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas authorizing the Legislature to provide for the establishment and creation of hospital districts"; and

"AGAINST The Amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas authorizing the Legislature to provide for the establishment and creation of hospital districts."

Each voter shall mark out one of said clauses on the ballot, leaving the one expressing his vote on the proposed Amendment, and if it shall appear from the returns of said election that a majority of the votes cast are in favor of said Amendment, the same shall become a part of the Constitution of the State of Texas.

#### RESOLUTIONS

Sec. 3. The Governor of the State of Texas shall issue the necessary proclamation for said election and have the same published as required by the Constitution and Laws of this State.

Passed the House, May 23, 1949: Yeas 112, Nays 12, 3 present not voting; passed the Senate, June 1, 1949: Yeas 21, Nays 7. Approved June 15, 1949.

Amendment by H.J.R. No. 46 provides for submission at an election to be held on the second Tuesday in November, 1949. See page 1500.

## COUNTY OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES—RETIREMENT AND DISABILITY PENSIONS—PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

H. J. R. No. 38

Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Texas by adding to Article XVI thereof a new Section to be Numbered 63 and authorizing the Legislature to provide for a statewide system of retirement and disability pensions for appointive officers and employees of the several counties of this State; providing that participation therein by counties shall be voluntary, and authorized by the qualified voters of such county, and providing that administration of said system may be committed to the same body set up to administer the statewide municipal retirement system authorized under Section 51f of Article III.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That Article XVI of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended by adding thereto a new Section, to be numbered Section 63, which shall read as follows:

"Section 63. The Legislature shall have the authority to provide for a statewide system of retirement and disability pensions for appointive officers and employees of the counties of this State under such a plan and program as the Legislature shall authorize; provided, that participation therein by counties shall be voluntary, and shall first be authorized by vote of the qualified voters of such county. Administration of such system may be committed to the same body as may be set up to administer the municipal retirement system provided for by Section 51f of Article III."

Sec. 2. The foregoing Constitutional Amendment shall be submitted to the qualified electors for members of the Legislature at an election to be held throughout this State on the fourth Saturday in September, 1949; and at said election the ballots shall have printed thereon the words "FOR the Constitutional Amendment authorizing a statewide system for retirement and disability pensions for appointive county officials and employees," and "AGAINST the Constitutional Amendment authorizing a statewide system for retirement and disability pensions for appointive county officials and employees." Each voter shall strike out one of said clauses on his ballot, leaving the one unmarked which expresses his vote upon the proposed amendment.

Sec. 3. The Governor of the State of Texas shall issue the necessary proclamation for said election, and shall have the foregoing proposed amendment published as required by the Constitution for proposed amendments thereto.

Sec. 4. If at said election, a majority of 'he votes cast are "FOR the Constitutional Amendment authorizing a statewide system for retirement and disability pensions for appointive county officials and em-